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Security Council

10:00	Consultations of the whole (closed) Middle East (Yemen) Other matters	Consultations Room

General Assembly
Sixty-ninth session

Informal meetings of the plenary on stocktaking in the process of intergovernmental negotiations on the post-2015 development agenda, pursuant to resolution 69/244 and decision 69/550, will be held *today*, 20 and *tomorrow*, 21 January, at 10:00 and 15:00, in Conference Room 2. For the draft programme of work, please *click here*. *Conference Room 3 will serve as an overflow room.* [webcast]

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General Assembly
Sixty-ninth session

There will be an informal meeting of the plenary *today,* 20 January 2015, at 11:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, to hear a briefing by Mr. Ismail Ould Cheikh Ahmed, Special Representative and Head of the United Nations Mission for Ebola Emergency Response (UNMEER), concerning the public health crisis emanating from the Ebola virus outbreak. A letter from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the General Assembly, containing a report on progress made in the Ebola response, was issued in document A/69/720. A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 15 January 2015, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. Members States are invited to attend *at the ambassadorial level.* [webcast]

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Open-ended Informal Working Group to study issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction

10:00 to 13:00 — 1st meeting — Conference Room 1

1. Opening of the meeting [item 1]
2. Adoption of the agenda (A/AC.276/L.15) [item 2]
3. Organization of work (A/AC.276/L.16) [item 3]
4. General statements [item 4]

15:00 to 18:00 — 2nd meeting — Conference Room 1

Consideration, in order to prepare for the decision to be taken at the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly, of the scope, parameters and feasibility of an international instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, within the mandate established by the Assembly in its resolution 66/231 and in the light of resolution 67/78, with a view to making recommendations to the Assembly [item 5]

[The list of side events scheduled to be held during the meeting can be consulted by *clicking here*.]

Human Rights Council

Working Group on Discrimination against Women in Law and in Practice
Twelfth session

10:00 to 13:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 9

15:00 to 18:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 9

Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)
Informal orientation briefing

There will be an informal orientation briefing for new members of the Executive Board of UN-Women *today*, 20 January 2015, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room B. Observer delegations are also welcome to attend.

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Children's Fund
Executive Board
Pre-session briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its first regular session (3-5 February 2015) will take place *today*, 20 January 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 4. The pre-session will be combined with an informal briefing on: (a) Strengthening predictability of the UNICEF response to humanitarian crises: Proposal to increase the Emergency Programme Fund ceiling; and (b) Extension and Expansion of the Vaccine Independence Initiative and its Revolving Fund.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services
Informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS, will hold informal consultations, as follows:

Today, 20 January 2015, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room B: on the Recommendation of the Board of Auditors paper; and

Today, 20 January 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 8: on the Report on the review of the UNDP evaluation policy and management response.

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/69/251 and A/69/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

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General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Seventieth anniversary of the end of the Second World War" (under agenda item 129) (convened by the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation)

From 13:15 to 14:45, in Conference Room C.

Other activities

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Tuesday, 20 January 2015

Briefing by the Inter-agency Coordination Group against Trafficking in Persons (ICAT) on its work and priorities in 2015 and beyond (organized by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

From 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 11.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Jason Reichelt, UNODC (e-mail reichelt@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3704).]

Special event on Women, Peace and Security, entitled "Seeking Synergy with the Reviews on Peace Operations and Peacebuilding" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands)

From 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 5.

[All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands (e-mail nyv-rsvp@minbuza.nl).]

Opening of the photo-exhibition about Za'atari refugee camp in Jordan (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Jordan and the Netherlands; and by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR))

At 18:00, in the Lobby of the Secretariat Building.

[All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Kris Derks, Permanent Mission of the Netherlands (e-mail nyv-rsvp@minbuza.nl).]

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Tuesday, 20 January 2015

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

12:00 Press briefing by the Spokesperson

General Assembly
Sixty-ninth session

An informal meeting of the plenary to address concerns of a rise in anti-semitic violence worldwide will be held on Thursday, 22 January 2015. A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 12 November 2014, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. Delegations wishing to inscribe in the list of speakers, please contact Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063).

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly
Sixty-ninth session

The agenda of the sixty-ninth regular session of the General Assembly has been issued in document A/69/251 (see document A/69/252 for allocation of items).

The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the sixty-ninth regular session of the General Assembly was issued in documents A/69/100 and A/69/100/Add.1. Please note that there is no predetermined programme of work for formal and informal meetings of the plenary for the resumed part of the session (1 January–14 September 2015). Meetings will be announced in the *Journal* when they are scheduled.

List of speakers

Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova, e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063, room S-3082).

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3818 (room S-3053). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the Permanent Representative or Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/69/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org, or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

General Assembly

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

Informal briefing

The Department of Field Support and the Department of Peacekeeping Operations will provide an informal briefing (closed) to members of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations, on Thursday, 22 January 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 4: on conduct and discipline; and protection of civilians.

2015 substantive session

The Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations will hold its 2015 substantive session from Tuesday, 17 February, to Friday, 13 March. The opening meeting will take place on Tuesday, 17 February, at 10:00, in Conference Room 2.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 51/136, "those Member States which become personnel contributors to United Nations peacekeeping operations in years to come or participate in the future in the Special Committee for three consecutive years as observers shall, upon request in writing to the Chair of the Committee, become members at the following session of the Committee". Member States wishing to submit such a request should address the request in advance of the session to the Chair of the Special Committee, Her Excellency U. Joy Ogwu (Permanent Mission of Nigeria (fax 1 (212) 697-1970)) and are kindly requested to send a copy of any such request to the secretariat (e-mail elliotts@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

States not members of the Special Committee and organizations/entities with observer status in the General Assembly that wish to send observers to this session of the Special Committee should send a request to the Chair of the Special Committee, Her Excellency U. Joy Ogwu (Permanent Mission of Nigeria, fax 1 (212) 697-1970) and are kindly requested to send a copy of any such request to the secretariat (e-mail elliotts@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Pre-session documents

The provisional agenda of the session is contained in A/AC.121/2015/L.1 and the draft programme of work is contained in A/AC.121/2015/L.2. The report of the Secretary-General on the Implementation of the recommendations of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations is contained in document A/69/642 (to be issued) and A/69/642/Add.1 (to be issued) and posted on the Website of the Special Committee (www.c34.unlb.org/). Other documents of the session will also be posted on the Website.

List of participants

Members and observers of the Special Committee who wish to be included in the list of participants should communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Special Committee, Ms. Sonia Elliott (e-mail elliotts@un.org; room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

List of speakers

The opening of the list of speakers for the general debate (17-18 February) will be announced in due course. In light of the limited time available, in accordance with past practice, delegations are encouraged to limit their statements to *10 minutes* when speaking in their national capacity and to *20 minutes* when speaking on behalf of a

group of countries. In order to facilitate interpretation, delegations are kindly requested to provide at least 30 copies of statements to the secretariat.

Website

Background information on the Special Committee is available and accessible to Committee members and observers by *clicking here*. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords or inclusion in the Committee mailing list, kindly contact Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org).

Ad hoc committee on sovereign debt restructuring processes

First working session (3-5 February 2015)

The first working session of the ad hoc committee on sovereign debt restructuring processes, established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 69/247 of 29 December 2014, will be held from Tuesday, 3, to Thursday, 5 February 2015, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

At the opening meeting on Tuesday, 3 February 2015, at 10:00, the ad hoc committee will elect its Chair and the other members of the Bureau, adopt its provisional agenda and approve its organization of work. The provisional agenda and annotations will be issued in document A/AC.284/2015/1.

For further information on the work of the ad hoc committee please contact Mr. Dusan Zivkovic (e-mail dusan.zivkovic@unctad.org); or Mr. Jiaming Miao (e-mail miaoj@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3766). Additional information will also be available by *clicking here*.

Submission of comments

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 69/247, Member States and observers are invited to submit their comments on the necessary elements of the multilateral legal framework for sovereign debt restructuring processes *no later than* Friday, 23 January 2015. Similarly, the relevant bodies and organizations of the United Nations system, as well as other relevant stakeholders with an interest in the matter, are invited to make contributions to the work entrusted to the ad hoc committee. Comments and contributions, which will be made available electronically on the UNCTAD Website, should be sent by e-mail to Ms. Marie Sudreau (marie.sudreau@unctad.org), and Ms. Myriam Azar (myriam.azar@unctad.org) *no later than* Friday, 23 January 2015.

List of participants

The meetings of the ad hoc committee are open to all Member States and observers of the United Nations. Delegations wishing to participate are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the ad hoc committee, Mr. Otto Gustafik (e-mail gustafik@un.org) with a copy to Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail duap@un.org; room S-1285; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

General discussion and the list of speakers

General discussion of agenda item 3 (A multilateral legal framework for sovereign debt restructuring processes) will be held on Tuesday, 3 February 2015, in the morning, following the opening part of the session.

The list of speakers *will be opened on Monday, 26 January 2015*. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list should inform, *in writing*, Mr. Otto Gustafik (e-mail gustafik@un.org; c/o Ms. Terri Olvida (e-mail olvida@un.org)).

Delegations are reminded that, and in accordance with the practice, statements made on behalf of a group of States *should not exceed seven minutes*, and statements made by individual delegations *should not exceed five minutes*.

Statements and PaperSmart arrangements

Delegates are informed that PaperSmart services *will be offered* as an additional service for the meetings of the ad hoc committee.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement *at least one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart3@un.org. The date of meeting and agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail.

The statements will be made available on the ad hoc committee's PaperSmart portal at the time of delivery by delegations.

Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples
Organizational meeting

The first organizational meeting of the 2015 session of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples will be held on Thursday, 19 February 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3. Documents to be considered by the Special Committee at this meeting are contained in A/AC.109/2015/L.1 and A/AC.109/2015/L.2.

Permanent missions are kindly requested to communicate to Ms. Jullyette Ukabiala, Secretary of the Special Committee (c/o Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0388; room S-3063; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)) the names of the representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Special Committee in 2015.

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-fifth session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-fifth session at Headquarters from Monday, 1, to Friday, 26 June 2015.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than* Friday, 15 May 2015. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of

the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943)).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 67/238. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Pre-session informal meeting

A pre-session informal meeting of the Executive Board of UN-Women will take place on Friday, 23 January 2015, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room 2. The pre-session segment will be followed immediately by an informal presentation of the assessment of the UN-Women evaluation function and related management response.

First regular session of 2015

The first regular session of 2015 of the Executive Board of UN-Women will take place on Monday, 9 February 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 1.

The annotated provisional agenda and workplan for the session are contained in document UNW/2015/L.1. To consult the available documentation for the session, please *click here.*

Member States, observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead), as well as any requests to be on the speakers list to Ms. Rocio Torres (e-mail rocio.torres@unwomen.org), as early as possible, but *no later than* Wednesday, 4 February 2015.

The first regular session 2015 will be PaperSmart, as per established practice. Instead of distributing hard copies, all official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart Portal.

Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements by e-mail to the PaperSmart Secretariat (e-mail papersmart.eb@unwomen.org), at least two hours in advance of their speaking slot. The statements will be distributed electronically via the PaperSmart Portal at the time of delivery, and will be under embargo until then. Delegations are kindly requested to provide 15 hard copies of official statements for interpretation and other services. Please note that hard copies of statements will not be distributed by conference services during the session.

Printing-on-demand service will be made available to members of the Executive Board and observer delegations upon request, with a dedicated desk set up for this in the conference room. Delegations are encouraged to carry their laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices to be able to access documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart Portal.

Joint meeting

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, WFP and UN-Women will take place on Monday, 2 February 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and

from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 3. All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Ninth session

Guinea-Bissau configuration

An informal meeting of the Guinea-Bissau configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held on Wednesday, 21 January 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 5.

Central African Republic configuration

An informal meeting of the Central African Republic configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held on Wednesday, 21 January 2015, at 11:30, in Conference Room 5 (immediately following adjournment of the meeting of the Guinea-Bissau configuration).

Economic and Social Council
2015 session

Dialogue on the longer-term positioning of the United Nations development system (Session II)

Pursuant to Council resolution 2014/14, Session II of a transparent and inclusive dialogue involving Member States and all relevant stakeholders on the longer-term positioning of the United Nations development system, taking into account the post-2015 development agenda will be convened by the Economic and Social Council on Friday, 30 January 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 2. The meeting will be chaired and moderated by the Vice-President of the Council, Her Excellency María Emma Mejía Vélez (Colombia). The Session I of the dialogue took place on 15 December 2014.

The preliminary programme is available by *clicking here*.

The Dialogue will be interactive in nature and, as such, there will be no pre-determined list of speakers. For further information, please contact Mr. Kirit Patel, Office for the Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail patelk@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3944). Delegates are reminded that PaperSmart services will be offered as an additional service for all the meetings of the 2015 session of the Economic and Social Council. Please *click here* for the PaperSmart portal of the Council.

Youth Forum (2-3 February 2015)

The Economic and Social Council will hold a Youth Forum on the theme "Youth engagement in the transition from the Millennium Development Goals to Sustainable

Development Goals: What will it take?" on Monday, 2 and Tuesday, 3 February 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 4. The Forum will be chaired by the President of the Council, His Excellency Martin Sajdik (Austria).

A number of interactive discussions among youth representatives and multiple stakeholders, including Member States and civil society organizations, will be held during the Forum. There will be no pre-determined list of speakers and participants are requested to refrain from reading prepared statements. In order to provide for maximum participation, interventions will be limited to *three minutes*.

All are invited to attend. Due to limited seating, Member States that are not members of the Council, as well as the United Nations system and other organizations who wish to participate should communicate the composition of their delegation to the Secretariat (e-mail aidenbaum@un.org, with a copy to olvida@un.org) *no later than* noon on Friday, 30 January 2015, in order to be provided a seat in the conference room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more details on the Youth Forum, please contact Mr. Paul Simon, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail simonp@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5027). Additional information is also available on the Website of the Council (*click here*).

Commission on the Status of Women

Briefings

The co-facilitators for the draft declaration to be adopted by the fifty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women will present the draft proposal on Wednesday, 21 January 2015, at 15:00, in Conference Room 4. The facilitator for the draft resolution on methods of work of the Commission on the Status of Women will present the draft proposal on Tuesday, 27 January 2015, at 15:00, in Conference Room 4. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Commission for Social Development

Informal briefing

The Chair of the fifty-third session of the Commission for Social Development, Her Excellency Simona-Mirela Miculescu (Romania), will hold an informal briefing on the programme of work of the fifty-third session of the Commission, on Friday, 23 January 2015, from *11:00* to *12:00*, in Conference Room 4. All are invited to attend.

Fifty-third session

The fifty-third session of the Commission for Social Development will be held from Wednesday, 4, to Friday, 13 February 2015. The opening meeting will take place on Wednesday, 4 February, at 10:00, in Conference Room 4. The provisional annotated agenda and the proposed organization of work are contained in document E/CN.5/2015/1 (to be issued). For further information on the fifty-third and previous sessions of the Commission, please *click here*.

Participation and seating arrangements

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to participate, are requested to inform the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Sangeeta Sharma, of the composition of their delegations (c/o Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail duap@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Due to the limited number of seats available for observers (including Member States that are not members of the Commission) in Conference Room 4, only observers who will communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat, *by Friday, 30 January 2015*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of the conference room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Delegations should contact the secretariat regarding accessibility requirements, *as soon as possible* (e-mail doultonf@un.org).

General discussion and list of speakers

General discussion under item 3 (a) of the provisional agenda (Priority theme: Rethinking and strengthening social development in the contemporary world) will begin on Wednesday, 4 February 2015, following the opening of the session. The general discussion under item 3 (b) (Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups) will begin on Friday, 6 February 2015, in the afternoon. For further details, please consult the proposed organization of work in Annex I to document E/CN.5/2015/1 (to be issued).

The lists of speakers are open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the lists should contact, *in writing*, to Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org).

Delegations are reminded that, according to past practice, statements made by individual Member States should not exceed *seven minutes*, statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*, and statements made by observers should not exceed *five minutes*.

Statements and PaperSmart arrangements

Delegates are informed that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the fifty-third session of the Commission.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail.

The statements will be made available on the Commission PaperSmart portal at the time of delivery by delegations.

Participation of non-governmental organizations

To consult comprehensive information on the participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission, please *click here*.

List of side events

The list of side events on the occasion of the fifty-third session of the Commission will be accessible by *clicking here*.

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2015 regular session

The 2015 regular session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will be held from Monday, 26, January to Wednesday, 4 February, and on Friday, 13 February 2015, in Conference Room 1. The annotated provisional agenda has been issued as document E/C.2/2015/1.

Members of the Committee, as well as observers, who wish to attend the session, are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations in a note verbale to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Alexander Lomaia (e-mail lomaia@un.org, with a copy to komatina@un.org, Room S-3057). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information on the Committee, its procedures, forms and documentation, is available on the website of the NGO Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (*click here*). Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online Paperless Committee System, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions.

United Nations Children's Fund
Executive Board

First regular session 2015

The 2015 first regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from Tuesday, 3, to Thursday, 5 February 2015, in Conference Room 3. The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2015/1. Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available at the following site (*click here*). Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (1 (212) 326-7096) or e-mail them to harai@unicef.org, as early as possible, but *no later than* Friday, 30 January 2015.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

The upcoming 2015 first regular session will be a PaperSmart session of the UNICEF Executive Board. This means that instead of distributing hardcopies in the conference room, all documentation will be available for downloading electronically through the UNICEF Executive Board Website.

All session documents will continue to be available on the existing 'Documents' webpage, as per established practice. In addition, the UNICEF Executive Board homepage will provide a link to the 'In-session' webpage that will make available all supporting documentation (PowerPoints and statements, etc.) to the individual meetings.

Delegations planning to present statements at the session are kindly requested to submit electronic versions to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board (Attn: Mr. Dillon Leano (e-mail dleano@unicef.org)). The intended agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. These statements will remain embargoed until delivery of the statement and then posted to the 'In-session' webpage on the UNICEF Executive Board website.

Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meeting in order to access electronically the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart portal.

Joint meeting

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, WFP and UN-Women will take place on Monday, 2 February 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 3. All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS, will hold informal consultations, as follows:

Thursday, 22 January 2015, from 10:00 to 11:00, in Conference Room 2: on the UNFPA country programme documents for Madagascar and Mali;

Thursday, 22 January 2015, from 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 2: on the UNDP country programme documents for Madagascar and Mali; and Chile and Guatemala; and

Thursday, 22 January 2015, from 13:15 to 14:45, in Conference Room 5: on the UNFPA Evaluation Workplan.

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

First regular session of 2015

The first regular session of 2015 of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS will take place from Monday, 26, to Friday, 30 January 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Chamber.

The annotated provisional agenda, annotations and list of documents for the session are contained in document DP/2015/L.1.

Kindly note that documents for the UNDP and UNOPS segments of the session are posted on the UNDP Executive Board website (*click here*) and for the UNFPA segment, please *click here*.

Informal briefings and consultations will be scheduled during the month of January, and delegations will be informed accordingly.

Member States, observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead), as well as any requests to be on the speakers list to Ms. Henrietta Bledman (e-mail henrietta.bledman@undp.org) for UNDP and UNOPS, and to Ms. Ashby Anglin (e-mail anglin@unfpa.org) for UNFPA, *as early as possible, but no later than Friday, 23 January 2015.*

The first regular session 2015 will be PaperSmart, as per established practice. Instead of distributing hard copies, all official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart Portal.

The PaperSmart portal will provide access to the official documents in all official languages. Statements, background documents, informal documents and presentations

will be available in the language of submission. The portal will be accessible via papersmart.un.org. Documents and statements will be available for viewing and downloading through laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices. Alternatively, Member States may request hard copies of documents using the print on demand icon located next to the document in the PaperSmart portal.

Member States may also request hard copies of documents at the Conference Officers' desk located in the conference room.

Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements by e-mail to the PaperSmart Secretariat (e-mail papersmart@un.org), at least two hours prior to their speaking slot. Delegates are requested to include the intended agenda item in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be available to view and download via the PaperSmart portal upon delivery. Delegations are kindly requested to provide 15 hard copies of official statements for interpretation and other services.

Joint meeting

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, WFP and UN-Women will take place on Monday, 2 February 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 3. All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

The 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) will be held from Monday, 27 April to Friday, 22 May 2015, at Headquarters. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 27 April, at 10:30, in the General Assembly Hall.

The United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs has prepared an information note for States parties, observer States and intergovernmental organizations, contained in document NPT/CONF.2015/INF/1.

Further information for participants will be made available, in due course, in the *Journal* and on the Website of the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons *(click here)*.

Forthcoming other meetings

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Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (monthly meeting)

Thursday, 29 January 2015, from 10:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 5.

Asia-Pacific Group (monthly meeting)

Thursday, 29 January 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 2.

Forthcoming other activities

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Special events on the occasion of the seventieth anniversary of the liberation of the German Nazi extermination camp in Auschwitz-Birkenau (organized by the Permanent Mission of Poland)

Conference entitled "Why have we failed in preventing genocides and how to change that?"

Wednesday, 21 January 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Poland (e-mail newyork.un.rsvp@msz.gov.pl); to register, please *click here*.]

Opening of the exhibition entitled "Forbidden Art"

Wednesday, 21 January 2015, at 18:00, in the Visitors' Lobby of the General Assembly Building.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Poland (e-mail newyork.un.rsvp@msz.gov.pl); to register, please *click here*.]

Panel discussion on "Independent Oversight Role of Supreme Audit Institutions in Implementing the Post-2015 Development Agenda" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Austria, Morocco and the Republic of Korea; and by the Division for Public Administration and Development Management, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DPADM/DESA))

Wednesday, 21 January 2015, from 13:15 to 14:45, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Jasim Wanner, Permanent Mission of Austria (e-mail jasmin.wanner@bmeia.gv.at; tel. 1 (917) 542-8400).]

Expert panel on "Integrating Population Issues into Sustainable Development, Including in the Post-2015 Development Agenda" (organized by the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

Thursday, 22 January 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 5.

[Permanent missions and permanent observer missions and accredited non-governmental organizations are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. John Wilmoth, Population Division, DESA (e-mail population@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3209). For further information, please *click here*.]

Briefing on "Inspiring Voices: Transforming the World, Lives and Communities" (organized by the Outreach Division, NGO Relations Section, Department of Public Information (DPI))

Thursday, 22 January 2015, from 11:00 to 12:30, in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Hawa Diallo, NGO Relations Section (e-mail diallo9@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9380).]

Briefing on "Human rights at work in peace operations" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Switzerland and the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))

Thursday, 22 January 2015, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 5.

[All permanent missions and observer missions, United Nations agencies and non-governmental organizations are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Nenad Vasic, OHCHR New York Office (e-mail vasic@un.org).]

Panel discussion on "Think Tanks: Catalysts for Ideas, Analysis, and Action in International Affairs" (co-organized by the Regional Commissions New York Office (RCNYO), Carnegie Council and Think Tanks and Civil Societies Program University of Pennsylvania)

Thursday, 22 January 2015, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 2.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Amr Nour, RCNYO (c/o Ms. Yesenia Kopperman (e-mail kopperman@un.org; tel.1 (212) 963-8088).]

Meeting with the Working Group on discrimination against women in law and in practice (organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))

Friday, 23 January 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 3.

[All permanent missions and observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Nenad Vasic, OHCHR New York Office (e-mail vasic@un.org).]

Discussion and screening of the documentary film entitled "On the Way to School" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of France, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the French Staff Member Society (AFFIN) and Distrib Films US)

Friday, 23 January 2015, from 13:00 to 15:00, in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All permanent missions, permanent observers missions and staff are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Carole Maisonneuve, Permanent Mission of France (e-mail carole.maisonneuve@diplomatie.gouv.fr, tel. 1 (212) 702-4972); or *click here*.]

International expert group meeting on the theme "Dialogue on an optional protocol to the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples" (organized by the Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Division of Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

From Tuesday, 27, to Thursday, 29 January 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 11.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Maia Campbell, Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (e-mail campbellm@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2395).]

Presentation ceremony of the "Third World Forum on Intercultural Dialogue" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan and the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC))

Tuesday, 27 January 2015, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 3.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Nihal Saad, UNAOC (e-mail saadn@un.org).]

Presentation of the report of the Intergovernmental Committee of Experts on Sustainable Development Financing (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of France and the Democratic Republic of Congo, and the International Organization of la Francophonie) [The meeting will be in French with English interpretation]

Wednesday, 28 January 2015, from 13:15 to 14:45, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Rachel Rouchouse, Permanent Mission of France (e-mail rachel.rouchouse@diplomatie.gouv.fr; tel. 1 (212) 702-4933).]

Course on "Land, Peacemaking and Post-Conflict Peacebuilding" (organized by the International Organization for Migration (IOM))

Thursday, 29 January 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room D; and

Friday, 30 January 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room D.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information and for registration, please contact Ms. Amy Muedin, IOM (e-mail amymuedin@iom.int; tel 1 (212) 681-7000, ext. 212); or *click here*.]

Briefing on "The Holocaust, Homosexuals and Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Rights Today" (in observance of the International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust (27 January)) (co-organized by the Outreach Division, NGO Relations Section, the Holocaust and the United Nations Outreach Division, Department of Public Information (DPI))

Thursday, 29 January 2015, from 11:00 to 12:30, in Conference Room 2.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Hawa Diallo, NGO Relations Section (e-mail diallo9@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9380).]

Conference on the United Nations Social Media Day (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Canada, the Netherlands, New Zealand and Switzerland; the Digital Diplomacy Coalition New York and the Department of Public Information)

Friday, 30 January 2015, from 9:30 to 17:00, in Conference Room 3.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Isabella Poeschl, DPI (e-mail poeschl@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4689; or *click here*).]

Seminar on "Peaceful and Inclusive Societies and Democratic Governance" (co-organized by the International IDEA and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) New York Office)

Friday, 6 February 2015, from 10:00 to 12:30 and 15:00 to 17:30, in Conference Room C.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

Announcements

United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law

The Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs is pleased to announce the launch of the European Union Lecture Series, which is available on the United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law website. It contains 13 lectures given by eminent European law practitioners on various subjects of the European Union. All interested parties are invited to visit the website, please *click here* to access the lectures.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training (in English) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-166 (First Floor), for the month of *January 2015*:

Country and Map Resources for the United Nations Community

Finding Speeches

Introduction to E-books

Introduction to Subscription Databases and Resources

Introduction to United Nations Documents

Law Library Overview

Security Council Documentation

Voting Information

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (www.un.org/depts/dhl/).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of United Nations human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2015:

Third Meeting of States Parties to the *International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance* (Tuesday, 23 June 2015) to elect five members of the Committee on Enforced Disappearance (for general information *click here*);

Twenty-sixth Meeting of States Parties to the *International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination* (Thursday, 25 June 2015) to elect nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (for general information *click here*); and

Seventh Meeting of States Parties to the *International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families* (Tuesday, 30 June 2015) to elect seven members of the Committee on Migrant Workers (for general information *click here*).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States Parties are kindly requested to put

in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than* one week before the meeting.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for all of the above mentioned meetings, duly signed by the Head of State or Government or Foreign Minister, should be submitted to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in New York (Attn: Mr. Nenad Vasić (e-mail vasic@un.org; room S-1309)). For any clarifications on these elections, please consult the OHCHR's guide on treaty body elections (*click here*), or contact Mr. Vasić, OHCHR (e-mail vasic@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5998).

Online reservation system for side events on the occasion of the fifty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women

The United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) is pleased to announce that the online reservation system for side events on the occasion of the fifty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women is open. Permanent missions and United Nations entities may access the system by *clicking here*. For inquiries and to sign up for an account, please contact UN-Women (e-mail csw.sideevents@unwomen.org).

Press kit for the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly

The press kit for the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly is now available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is paper-free. Print-on-demand versions are available on the General Assembly website (*click here*), or via the PaperSmart portal (*click here*).

United Nations Regional Course in International Law for Africa 2015: Urgent appeal for voluntary contributions

The United Nations Regional Courses in International Law (RCIL) provide high-quality training by leading scholars and practitioners on a broad range of core subjects of international law, as well as specific subjects of particular interest to the countries in a given region. The Regional Courses also provide an opportunity for the participants to focus on contemporary issues of international law in the region with a view to promoting greater understanding and cooperation on such issues. For further information, please consult the website of the Regional Courses (*click here*).

The Under-Secretary-General for Legal Affairs and the Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs are urgently seeking contributions from Member States in order to ensure sufficient funding for the Regional Course in International Law for Africa, which will take place in February 2015 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

For additional information concerning voluntary contributions, please contact Ms. Virginia Morris, Principal Legal Officer, Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs (e-mail morrisv@un.org).

Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council (Fifteenth Supplement - 2004-2007 (Vols. I and II))

The Department of Political Affairs recently published the fifteenth Supplement to the *Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council, covering the years from 2004 to 2007. The *Repertoire* is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations to follow the evolving practice of the Council and gain a better understanding of the framework in which it operates.

For paper copies of the Fifteenth Supplement, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288).

Later supplements covering the period 2008 to 2011 are available in their advance version on line by *clicking here*.

United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law: Urgent Appeal for voluntary contributions by the Under-Secretary-General for Legal Affairs

The United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law (AVL) is a unique multi-media resource and key instrument for promoting a greater understanding of the essential role of the United Nations in the field of international law. It consists of a permanent collection of scholarly lectures, historic archives of significant international law instruments and an online legal research library providing extensive international law research materials. Since its launch on 28 October 2008, the Audiovisual Library has been accessed by almost one million users in all 193 Member States of the United Nations.

The United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law is dependent on voluntary contributions. The Under-Secretary-General for Legal Affairs and the Codification Division are seeking voluntary contributions from Member States to support the continuation and further development of the Audiovisual Library in 2014.

The Under-Secretary-General for Legal Affairs and the Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs, wish to express their appreciation to the four Member States that have made voluntary contributions to support the AVL in 2014, namely, China, Ireland, Mexico and the United Kingdom.

For additional information or inquiries, please contact Ms. Virginia Morris, Principal Legal Officer, Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs (e-mail morrisv@un.org).

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2015 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 19 January 2015

Security Council

[archived video]

7361st meeting

Maintenance of international peace and security

Inclusive development for the maintenance of international peace and security

Letter dated 6 January 2015 from the Permanent Representative of Chile to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (S/2015/6)

The meeting was presided over by Her Excellency Michelle Bachelet, President of Chile, in her capacity as the President of the Security Council.

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representatives of Argentina, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Austria, Benin, Brazil, Cambodia, Canada, Colombia, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Ecuador, Egypt, Estonia, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Haiti, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Ireland, Iraq, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, the Republic of Korea, Luxembourg, Mexico, Montenegro, Morocco, the Netherlands, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Poland, Rwanda, Slovakia, Slovenia, Somalia, South Africa, Sweden, Thailand, Turkey, Uruguay and Viet Nam to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited His Excellency Antonio de Aguiar Patriota, Permanent Representative of Brazil and Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission, and Ms. Leymah Gbowee, President of the Gbowee Peace Foundation Africa, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited His Excellency Thomas Mayr-Harting, Head of the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council heard a briefing by the Secretary-General, His Excellency Ban Ki-moon.

The Council heard briefings by His Excellency Antonio de Aguiar Patriota and Ms. Gbowee.

The Security Council adopted a statement by the President on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2015/3).

The President, Her Excellency Michelle Bachelet, made a statement in her capacity as the President of Chile.

Statements were made by Her Excellency Samantha Power, Permanent Representative of the United States and Member of President Obama's Cabinet; His Excellency Manuel Domingos Augusto, Secretary of State for External Relations of Angola; His Excellency Ignacio Ybáñez, Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs of Spain, and by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Nigeria, Jordan, Lithuania, France, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, China, New Zealand, Chad, the United Kingdom and Malaysia.

The Council heard statements by His Excellency Tanasak Patimapragorn, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Thailand; His Excellency Luis Almagro, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Uruguay; His Excellency Héctor Marcos Timerman, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Worship of Argentina; His Excellency Duly Brutus, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Haiti; His Excellency Leonardo Arízaga, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility of Ecuador; Her Excellency Vanessa Rubio, Vice-Minister for Latin America and the Caribbean of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mexico; and by Her Excellency Alejandra V. Liriano de la Cruz, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Dominican Republic.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Pakistan, India and Guatemala.

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Thomas Mayr-Harting (speaking on behalf of the European Union and its member States; the candidate countries Turkey, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Albania, the country of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidate Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as Ukraine and Georgia aligned themselves with the statement).

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Austria (speaking on behalf of the members of the Human Security Network: a cross-regional Network composed of Chile, Costa Rica, Greece, Ireland, Jordan, Mali, Norway, Panama, Slovenia, Switzerland, Thailand, South Africa as an observer and Austria), Sweden (speaking on behalf of the Nordic countries), Japan, South Africa (speaking on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Iraq, Luxembourg, Israel, Poland, Italy, Kazakhstan, Colombia, Hungary, Estonia (speaking on behalf of Estonia and Latvia), Germany, Panama, Canada, Slovakia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Ireland, Slovenia, Rwanda, Turkey, Egypt, Somalia, Peru, Indonesia, Georgia, Morocco, the Republic of Korea, Cuba, Kenya, Brazil, Paraguay, the Netherlands, Montenegro, Croatia, Cyprus, Armenia, Viet Nam, Greece, Cambodia, Nicaragua, Azerbaijan and Benin.

62nd meeting

Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The Security Council adopted a statement by the President on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2015/4).

General Assembly

Disarmament Commission
2015 organizational session

[archived video]

343rd meeting

Opening of the session [item 1]

The 2015 organizational session of the Disarmament Commission was opened by His Excellency Vladimir Drobnjak (Croatia), Chair of the Commission for 2014.

Adoption of the agenda [item 2]

The Commission adopted the provisional agenda for its 2015 organizational session, as contained in document A/CN.10/L.73*.

Election of the Chair and other officers [item 3]

The Commission elected His Excellency Fode Seck (Senegal) as Chair.

The Commission decided to defer to a later date the election of the Rapporteur and the Vice-Chairs.

Review of the draft resolution submitted to the First Committee at the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly relating to the Disarmament Commission [item 4]

The Commission reviewed the First Committee resolution, entitled "Report of the Disarmament Commission", issued as document A/RES/69/77 under agenda item 98 (b).

Provisional agenda for the 2015 substantive session of the Disarmament Commission [item 5]

Statements were made by the representatives of Latvia (on behalf of the European Union), Morocco, Egypt, South Africa, the Russian Federation, Nigeria, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the United States, China, Cuba, Pakistan, Mexico and India.

The Commission took note of the provisional agenda for the 2015 substantive session contained in document A/CN.10/L.74.

Organizational matters [item 6]

Statements were made by the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran, South Africa, the Russian Federation and Morocco.

The Chair of the Commission made a statement.

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *January 2015* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Morocco
His Excellency Omar Hilale

Asia-Pacific States:
Viet Nam
Her Excellency Nguyen Phuong Nga

Eastern European States:
Latvia
His Excellency Jānis Mažeiks

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Haiti
His Excellency Denis Régis

Western European and other States:
Australia
His Excellency Gary Francis Quinlan

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

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Website of the presidency

The website of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

Unscheduled meetings

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Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Room Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

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These easy to use kiosks are located on the ground floor just after the First Avenue entrance security checkpoint and on the second floor next to the Café. DGACM welcomes feedback, questions or comments pertaining to the information kiosks, which can be addressed to help-desk@un.org.

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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism
www.un.org/en/sc/ctc/

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution1540 (2004)
www.un.org/sc/1540/

Department of Economic and Social Affairs
www.un.org/en/development/desa/index.html

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www.un.org/disarmament/

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http://treaties.un.org/

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owww.un.org/law/avl/

Dag Hammarskjöld Library
www.un.org/depts/dhl/

International Court of Justice
www.icj-cij.org/

Journal of the United Nations
www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp

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www.unmultimedia.org/tv/webcast/index.html

Yearbook of the United Nations
http://unyearbook.un.org

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A/69/697	Items 132 and 74 (a) — Programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015 Oceans and the law of the sea — Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/69/L.29 — Report of the Fifth Committee [A C E F R S] — *1 page*
A/69/711–S/2015/1	Item 63 — Report of the Human Rights Council — Letter dated 29 December 2014 from the Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *4 pages*
A/69/712	Items 120 and 121 — Strengthening of the United Nations system — United Nations reform: measures and proposals — Enhancement of the administration and financial functioning of the United Nations — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *7 pages*

A/69/719–S/2015/14	Items 33 and 38 — Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development — The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan — Letter dated 9 January 2015 from the Permanent Representative of Azerbaijan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*
A/RES/69/208	Adopted by the General Assembly on 19 December 2014 [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*
A/RES/69/215	Adopted by the General Assembly on 19 December 2014 [A C E F R S] — *4 pages*
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